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President:	Mr. Mahugu	(Kenya)
Members:	Chile	Mr. Larraín
	China	Mr. Qin Huasun
	Costa Rica	Mr. Sáenz
	Egypt	Mr. Abdel Aziz
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	Russian Federation	Mr. Gatilov
	Sweden	Mr. Osvald
	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Mr. Gomersall
	United States of America	Mr. Inderfurth

Agenda

The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Letter dated 14 February 1997 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/1997/126)

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The meeting was called to order at 1.20 p.m.

Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

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Letter dated 14 February 1997 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/1997/126)

The President: I should like to inform the Council that I have received a letter from the representative of Bosnia and Herzegovina, in which she requests to be invited to participate in the discussion of the item on the Council's agenda. In conformity with the usual practice, I propose, with the consent of the Council, to invite that representative to participate in the discussion, without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

There being no objection, it is so decided.

At the invitation of the President, Mrs. Kalajdzisalihović (Bosnia and Herzegovina) took a seat at the Council table.

The President: The Security Council will now begin its consideration of the item on its agenda. The Council is meeting in accordance with the understanding reached in its prior consultations.

Members of the Council have received photocopies of a letter dated 14 February 1997 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council, transmitting a communication dated 14 February 1997 from the High Representative, enclosing the decision adopted in Rome today by the Arbitral Tribunal for the dispute over the inter-entity boundary in the Brcko area, which will be issued as document S/1997/126.

Following consultations among members of the Security Council, I have been authorized to make the following statement on behalf of the Council:

"The Security Council notes the announcement of the decision on 14 February 1997 by the arbitral tribunal on the disputed portion of the Inter-Entity Boundary Line in the Brcko area, pursuant to Article V, Annex 2 to the General Framework Agreement for Peace in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Annexes thereto (collectively the Peace Agreement, S/1995/999, annex).

"The Security Council reminds the parties to Annex 2 to the Peace Agreement of their obligation to be bound by the decision of the arbitral tribunal and to implement the decision without delay. The Council underscores the importance of prompt and full cooperation by the parties to the Peace Agreement in carrying out their commitments to implement the Peace Agreement in its entirety."

This statement will be issued as a document of the Security Council under the symbol S/PRST/1997/7.

The Security Council has thus concluded the present stage of its consideration of the item on the agenda.

The meeting rose at 1.25 p.m.